

I see no reason to charge any fee for issuance of Amateur Radio Licenses. Amateur Radio is a "Service". Every major city, and surrounding areas in The United States benefits from licensed Amateur Radio Operators. We volunteer our time, equipment and labor to provide these services to our communities. And, in times of emergencies, there are Amateur Radio Operators providing emergency communications throughout every state as well.

In addition, MARS communications for our servicemen and women all over the world benefit from our volunteering.

For this reason, I see no justification for charging fees to Vanity call-sign holders.

In my opinion, the U.S. Government through the FCC should provide an annual program for thanking our licensed Amateur Radio Operators for their committments in the interest of our citizens across the globe.